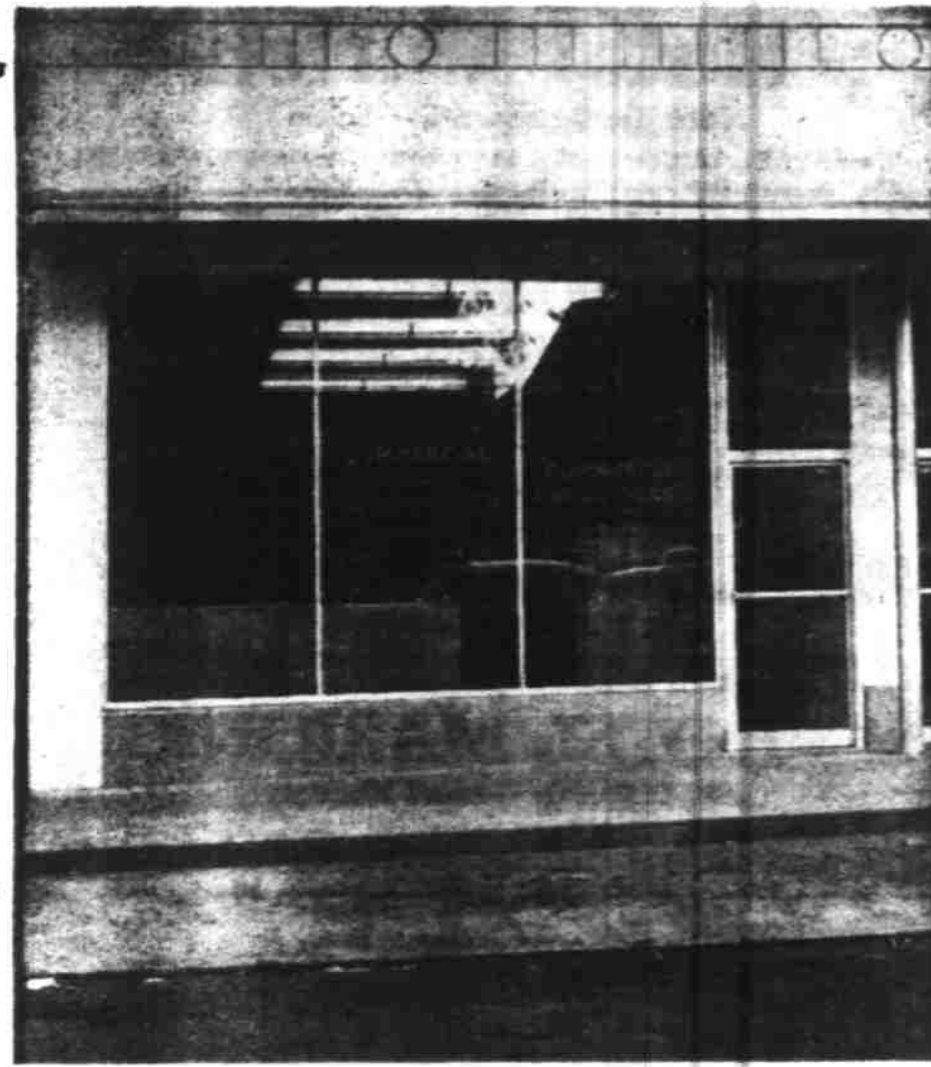


### Credit Corp. in New Offices



New office of the Commercial Credit Corp. is now open at 460 N. Church st. in the new Greyhound bus station building. The firm was formerly at 444 Center st. where it did business since the opening of the office in 1946. (Statesman photo).

### Former Salem Man Dies at Albany Sunday

ALBANY, April 25—George L. Hurley, late resident of Albany, died an Albany hospital Sunday of a heart ailment.

Hurley was born at Gervais, Feb. 22, 1889, and lived in Gervais and Salem for many years. He was engaged in the plumbing business with his step-father, J. A. Bernardi, at Salem until moving to Albany in 1921. He purchased the Martin-Ludwig plumbing shop in Albany in 1923 and operated it until 1942, when he sold out and retired. He was married to Marie Wessel at Albany, Sept. 25, 1916.

Survivors besides his widow and step-father are a brother, Fred Bernardi, Salem.

Hurley was a member of St. John's lodge 17, AF & AM, Al Kader shrine, Elks club, Albany Gun club and Salem Gun club.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 27, at 2 p.m. at First Methodist church at Albany with the Rev. Edward Terry officiating. Interment will be at Willamette Memorial park. Albany Elks club will hold ritualistic services. Fredrickson and Fortmiller Funeral home is in charge.

### Slain--Held



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### Former Secretary Faces Charge of Slaying Ex-Boss

RIVERSIDE, Calif., April 25—(AP) Mrs. Agnes Garnier was charged today with first degree murder in the gunshot slaying of her wealthy employer, John E. Owen, 66-year-old realty operator and rancher.

The charge was filed in justice court shortly after a coroner's jury found that Owen, fatally wounded at his ranch home near here last Friday night, "died of gunshot wounds inflicted by a gun in the hands of Mrs. Agnes Garnier."

A deputy district attorney, who arrived at Owen's palatial Jurupa ranch in response to a call from Mrs. Garnier, testified she told him: "I had to do it. It was either him or me. He was drunk. He hit several times and knocked my earrings off."

Mrs. Garnier in a statement issued through her attorney said the shooting climaxed a quarrel which developed from discussion of a set of cocktail glasses given Owen by actress Irene Rich. The actress, now in New York, admitted being a friend of Owen for five years but said there had been no romance.

Owen, estranged from his wife, Mrs. Florence Owen, Beverly Hills, Calif., had employed Mrs. Garnier as secretary and manager of some of his properties for 11 years. He was president of the National Association of Apartment House Owners.

### AFL Berates T-H Substitute

WASHINGTON, April 25—(AP) The AFL has served notice on congress that it considers a coalition substitute for the administration labor bill as obnoxious—or more so—than the Taft-Hartley act which the unions want repealed.

This blast at the bill sponsored by Rep. Wood (D-Ga) with republican backing came from George Meany, AFL secretary-treasurer, in a radio speech.

Meany called the Wood bill "a transparent disguise for Taft-Hartleyism at its worst" and said that some of its provisions "go even beyond the Taft-Hartley act in their vicious and malicious attacks against organized labor."

### Time Decision In Portland Up to Offices

It's up to each state department whether it runs its Portland office on daylight or standard time, Attorney General George Neuner ruled Monday.

But when the new state daylight saving law becomes effective in mid-July, then all state departments will have to run on standard time.

Neuner said it is a matter of policy, and not a matter of law.

time, unless the governor proclaims daylight saving time for the whole state. Gov. Douglas McKay asked Neuner for the opinion on whether state offices in Portland should adopt daylight saving time, which began in Portland Sunday.

Advertisement for 'The Little Plumber' from Decatur & Maerz, featuring a cartoon character and contact information.

Advertisement for Top Soil Fill Dirt at Trucking Costs, Phone 3-5737 -- 3-9648.

### 500 at Union Party Program

Over 500 local union members and their guests attended the third annual party of the Cannery union, Salem local 670, last week, it was reported Monday.

E. S. Benjamin, union secretary, was master of ceremonies.

The affair was Friday night in the Labor temple and consisted of entertainment, refreshments and dancing. Children taking part in the program included Chester Hodgson, Sandra Allison, Lanny Dibbern, Norma Jean Curtis, Faye and Betty Futrell, Suzanne Bower, Lola Zobel, Larry Powell, Thomas Jefferies and Patsy Pease. Participating in the adult portion of the entertainment were Caroline Miller, Mary Bourke, Robert Hug, Harvey Schuebel, Shirley Hennies, Karleen Drager, Pat Hennies, Margie Drager, Jerry Wipper, Howard Schelskie, Betty Van, Lloyd Remington, Mrs. Blanche Craner, Al Mauck, Edith Pease, Erna Stain, Millie Hiemert, Florence Baker, Hazel Smith, Patsy Pease, Juanita Fullenwider, Caroline Miller and Margaret Schaeffer. The Glen Williams orchestra played for dancing.



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### Salem General Board Elects New Members

Three new members have been elected to the board of directors of Salem General hospital, and three members have been re-elected, the board announced Monday.

Asel Eoff was the new member nominated by the Salem citizens' committee. He succeeds John Humphreys, who resigned because of frequent absence from the city. Elizabeth Putnam and Ralph Skopil were re-elected to the board following nomination by the citizens' committee.

The medical staff of the hospital nominated C. W. Paulus and C. Burn Grabenhorst as new members for the board, and they were elected. T. A. Windishar was re-elected following nomination by the same group.

Advisory members were added to the board's 15 regular members for the first time when Judge E. M. Page and George Riches were elected to serve in that capacity. Both had been regular members for many years, and are being succeeded by Paulus and Grabenhorst.

### Hotelmen Ponder Problems at Meet

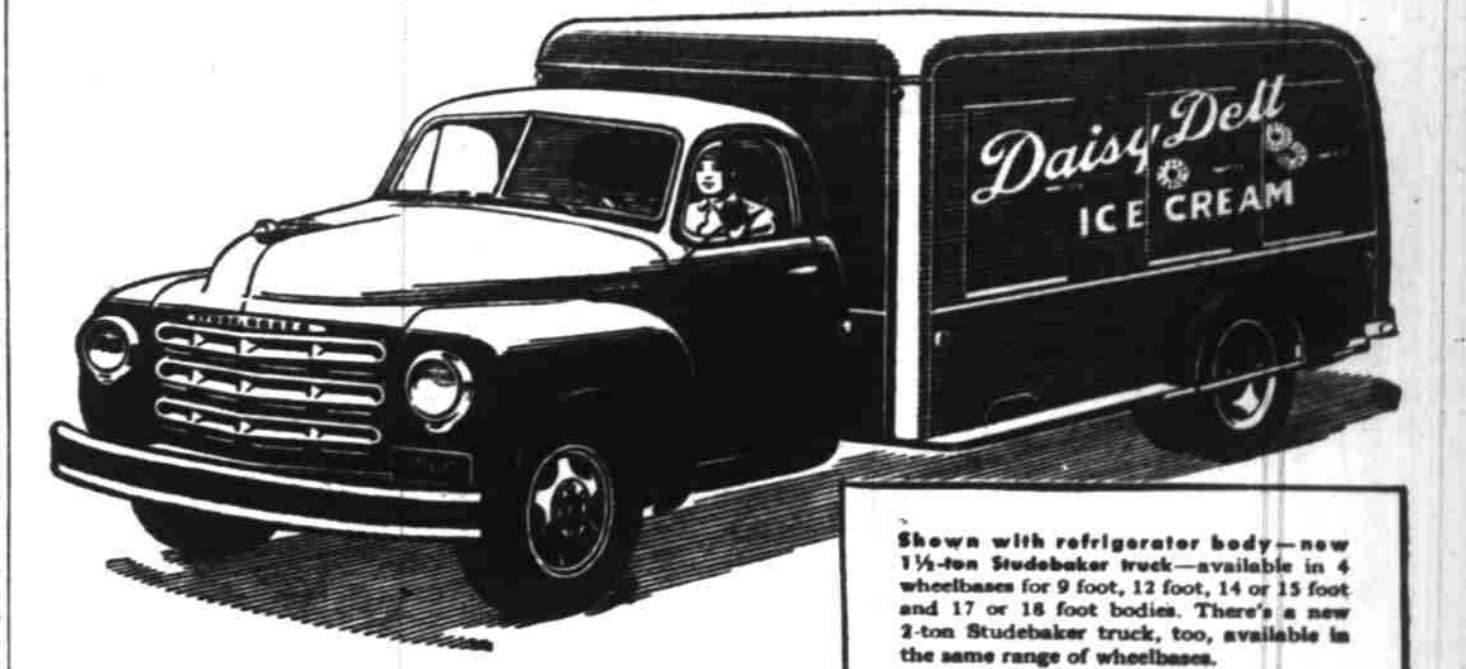
Fifty hotel men convened at the Senator hotel Sunday and Monday in a regular meeting of the Southern Oregon Hotel association.

Federal legislation pertaining to hotels, including rent control, was discussed at a business meeting Sunday afternoon. A dinner Sunday evening and a Monday breakfast also were on the schedule.

W. W. Chadwick of Salem is president of the organization, which is primarily for upstate hotels and has about 125 members.

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### Valley Obituaries

F. E. Maddox ALBANY—F. E. Maddox, resident of Crabtree for the past year, died suddenly at the home of a son in Crabtree Saturday night.

Funeral services will be at Fisher Funeral home in Albany, at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, with the Rev. Orville Mick officiating. Shipment will be made to Sedan, Kans., for interment.

Survivors are the widow, Nellie Watson Maddox, Sedan; children, Frank E. Maddox, Jr., Crabtree, John A. Maddox, Wellington, Kans., and Mrs. Emma C. Hatfield, Salt Lake City; and eight grandchildren.

### Sales Finance Firm Moves

New offices of Commercial Credit Corp. have been established at 460 N. Church st. in the Greyhound bus station building. The concern moved from 444 Center st.

E. W. Clark, manager and district representative, said Commercial Credit is one of the nation's three largest sales finance companies, and is the only one of the three to have offices in Salem. The home office is in Baltimore, Md.

The Salem office was opened in August, 1946, and services five counties from the Cascades to the coast.

Originally the firm dealt in "non-notification accounts receivable financing," but in 1916 entered the then-new field of installment financing of motor vehicles. In 1925 installment financing of home appliances was included, and in 1940 personal loans.

### Alterations on Permits List

Two permits for store alterations totaling \$12,275 were issued Monday for the J. L. Busck market, 197 N. Commercial st., by the city building inspector's office.

Other permits were issued to the Broyles sisters, 835 Shipping st., garage alteration, \$100; Clara J. Norton, 849 Market st., house repairs, \$50; A. W. Livcik, 2595 Lee st., house alterations, \$50; and Norval Emmons, 1887 N. Summer st., house alterations, \$100.

Also authorized was construction of a private greenhouse, Mrs. Nellie R. Thayer, 1307 S. Commercial st., \$250; J. E. Salisbury, 1675 S. Winter st., reroof house and garage, \$274; and Mrs. W. D. Johnson, 1645 S. Liberty st., reroof house, \$360.

More merchant seamen lost their lives during the invasion of Mindoro island in the Philippines in World War II than did soldiers or sailors who participated in the action.

### Many Ask McKay To Veto Old Age Pension Measure

Gov. Douglas McKay has received about 400 letters and telegrams asking him to veto the legislature's old age pension bill. He also has received a few asking him to sign it.

The governor's office said the pension bill has drawn more letters and telegrams than any other bill passed by the legislature.

The main objection on the part of old age pensioners is the provision to give the state claims against the estates of deceased pensioners. But there also are objections that the bill does not provide a \$50 minimum monthly pension.

The governor also has received many letters and telegrams asking him to sign the bill which would place Columbia river barge lines under the jurisdiction of the public utilities commissioner. These communications have come from all sections of the state, and the governor's aides said they couldn't explain why the sudden statewide interest in the bill. The barge lines are asking the governor to veto it.

One female praying mantis has been known to devour as many as eight enamored males.

Advertisement for Hot Water, Bath After Bath with plenty of Hot Water, \$80.00.

Advertisement for Judson's Plumbing-Heating, 279 N. Commercial, Phone 3-4040.

Large advertisement for The Milwaukee Road, featuring a train and a woman, with text: "Yes Ma'm, she's the newest and the best to the EAST" OLYMPIAN Hiawatha.

Large advertisement for Sicks' Select Extra Pale beer, featuring a bottle and glass, with text: "OREGON'S EXTRA PALE Sicks' Select".